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Libraries and their budgets are caught in the middle between the serials cost crisis and the resulting tremors in scholarly communications. Publication cost concerns have risen to the attention of faculty and administrators in high-profile institutions, resulting in public outcry over expensive bundled journal packages. The open access movement advocates free and open literature, which the pre-print culture of mathematics has long practiced. Will newly-open access in other scientific disciplines affect scholarly publication practices and library budgets in general? Libraries can contribute to the open access movement by supporting self-archiving repositories and by continuing to improve access to electronic information. (Received March 02, 2004)